



## Executive and General Meeting

Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> August 2006

### Queanbeyan Bicentennial Hall

#### 1 Opening

The meeting was opened at 5.47 pm with Lynton Bond (President) in the Chair. A warm welcome was extended to all present.

#### 2 Attendance / Apologies

In attendance were Lynton Bond, Tom Baker, Sandra Lloyd, Maryke Booth, John Bruggeman, Charles McDonald, Bruce Taloni, Heather Colman, Claudia Nye, Margaret Piper, James and Pat (CIT students).

Apologies were received from Diane Johnson.

#### 3 Minutes of Last Meeting

Motion: C McDonald / Sandra Lloyd

**“That minutes be accepted”**

**Carried**

#### 4 Business Arising

(a) Nil.

#### 5 Correspondence List - Coordinator.

(a) No List.

(b) Dept. of Defence “Endemic Species Planting Guide” CD’s available.

(c) Information pack for ACTNRM bus tour.

#### 6 Accounts (Maryke Booth).

(a) Bank A/c still healthy. \$300,000 in high interest account. Interest earned since September '05, approx. \$10,000.

(b) \$1000 in Cheque Account.

#### 7 President’s Reports (Lynton Bond)

(a) Molonglo Catchment Coordinator 06-07 & 07-08 milestones. What’s achievable in the short and the long term? Potential points to concentrate on: Weeds and feral animals and possibly salinity and ground water. A work in progress.

(b) NLP MCS Rollout Project Status. Signage for Little Burra Project. Additional signage for another 4 sites. First report for Phase 3 submitted. G.A. project management expenditure is the only expenditure during the period to end of June.

(c) ProGraze Training under MCS Rollout Phase 3 with \$250 subsidy on the 21<sup>st</sup> July at *South Lanyon* to promote perennial pastures. 19 landholders involved. 8 courses on a property rotation schedule to train for sediment reduction into streams through perennial pasture establishment.

(d) CMA Incentives project being rolled out – Fencing, tube stock planting, spraying weeds

- etc. Confusion in the community with all the different paths to follow to attain funding etc. Discussion.
- (e) M-ChiP brochure feedback, still needs more work. Put together by Bayne for ACTEW, and so has focus on them. Still to wordy.
  - (f) UMCCC meeting last Wednesday (9-8-06). Tabled details of display trailer progress. QCC Bushwise booklet. The National Carbon Account Toolbox (Dept. Of Environment and Heritage and The Australian Greenhouse Office). UMCCC General Meeting, 30<sup>th</sup> August, McArthur House.
  - (g) “Along The Molonglo” Art Prize 2006. Albert Hall, 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 6.30 – 7.00 pm. Letter of thanks from The Queanbeyan Artists Society. Article in the Canberra Times by Helen Musa. Our sponsorship for advertising appreciated.
  - (h) Media Releases. 13 sent out by Heather. Tom has sent out a few also. A proof reading and vetting process required. Sandi has offered to proof read. Must also use our letterhead. Review Media Release template. We’re obliged by our funding arrangements to acknowledge NHT and Aust and ACT Govt. Can we get our own column in The Queanbeyan Age? Need better access to The Chronicle. Media Alerts – we should use them?
  - (i) Meeting of NHT Advisory Committee with ACT NRM Council, Environment ACT, and ACT NRM community reps. incl. CGs, CLA, CV, GA, ACT Landholders Association. Lynton attended. Presentation by Sarah Ryan from ACT NRM Council. Outcome: meetings with all main bodies in the future for better communications.
  - (j) Murrumbidgee Landcare Assoc. workshop at Michelago, Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August. We need to promote “Landcare” in a more positive light. Remove the “Greenie” tag that the public perceives. Also promote the work that Landcare and the MCG do in the community.
  - (k) Landcare Week, 4-10 September. “Take A Look Behind The Farm Gate”. Landcare as a whole needs to reconnect, city – country, producer – consumer, promote the process.
  - (l) Option to do larger tours of our sites with the general public of Canberra.
  - (m) Great map site on the net. [www.maps.nsw.gov.au](http://www.maps.nsw.gov.au)
  - (n) Insurance for small items like cameras has proven to be too expensive (ridiculous actually) and so all we can do is engrave them with “Molonglo CG”, charge a bond and hope for the best.
  - (o) MCG letter of support for K2C done.
  - (p) National Blackberry Bio-Control Community Program. Monitoring required by CSIRO. Also willow sawfly impact on blackberry growth. Responses due by 12<sup>th</sup> September.
  - (q) “Celebrate Heritage 2006”, Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November, Duntroon Dairy, we should be promoting ourselves there.

## **8 Molonglo Catchment Coordinator (Heather Colman)**

- (a) Communications Strategy. Bruce is sending out proposals by email for more comment.
- (b) Display Trailer. As per diagram printout. Maryke will look into Whiteboard prices.
- (c) Future Meetings. We have to get bums on seats and raise awareness amongst the general public. Consideration should be given to holding meetings in conjunction with member groups’ meetings and to different locations, times and days. Discussion. Who are we trying to target?
- (d) Drain Stencilling, as per printout. Heather has things happening with the schools.

## **9 Other Business**

- (a) There being no time for further discussion, other business deferred until next meeting.

## **10 Next Meeting, Monday, 11th September 2006, at 5.30pm, QCC Chambers.**

**11 Closure**

The meeting was closed at 7.00 pm. and was followed by a meal for all at “Soraya’s” Thai Restaurant in Queanbeyan.

<b>Action By</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Completed</b>
LB	Insurance for assets (cameras, M-ChiP meters)	19-06-06	10-07-06	Yes: Not Feasible
All	Feedback on M-ChiP brochure	19-06-06	10-07-06	On going
All	Review Communications Strategy draft	10-07-06	14-08-06	On going
LB	Distribute trailer quotes and concept sketch to partners for agreement	10-07-06	14-08-06	Yes
HC	Prepare Milestones for 2006-07 and 2007-08 Funding Agreement with ACT	10-04-06	30-06-06	
HC/BT	Display Trailer quotes and final design	14-08-06	11-09-06	
HC/BT	“Test drive” the Communications Plan on an activity	14-08-06	11-09-06	
HC	Complete media plan for Sony camera and return to LAL	08-05-06	19-06-06	

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**(Chairman)**

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**(Date)**